

STRAW VOTE ON TWO MEASURES TAKEN TODAY

ROOSEVELT HIGHWAY BILL SEEMS FAVORITE, WHILE OTHERS ARE OPPOSED

TOMORROW IS VOTING DAY

Everyone Should Cast Ballot—Many Favor Reconstruction Program But Fear High Taxes

Today a "straw vote" was taken among a limited number of Grants Pass business men, on the two largest measures to be voted on tomorrow—the \$5,000,000 reconstruction bonding bill and the Roosevelt highway. The arguments for and against these two measures were varied, although the majority of those interviewed were in favor of both measures. There were a number who did not want to be quoted, some for and some against, while a few favored the Roosevelt highway but not the \$5,000,000 measure.

Here is what a few of the business men think of the measures: F. C. Bramwell: "I favor the \$5,000,000 bonding bill and the Roosevelt highway. Irrigation and good roads form the nucleus of our great reconstruction program."

C. H. Ernst: "I am heartily in favor of those measures that make for good and permanent improvements."

W. S. Maxwell: "I guess I will vote for them."

Roscoe Bratton: "I am in favor of both measures and will vote for them."

F. S. Bramwell: "I am in favor of both measures, or any measure for state advancement."

O. S. Blanchard: "I intend to vote for all progressive measures."

Geo. C. Sabin: "All things considered, I think the measures should be supported."

Jas. T. Chinnock: "I am for the Roosevelt highway because it is a measure of justice to the coast people and will help develop the whole state. I am for the \$5,000,000 reconstruction measure because it will assist our soldiers and sailors."

P. P. Proctor: "I am for the Roosevelt highway."

Fred A. Williams: "I am for those measures."

Together with the above ten business men, 11 others expressed themselves as in favor of the measures, while six business men were found who opposed the measures, especially at this time on account of taxes, and seven were non-committal, having not yet made up their minds on just how they will vote. Of these 34 business men interviewed, 21 were for the two measures and 13 against, although a few of the 13 may yet support the bills.

The Courier reporter was told by a man who intends to cast his ballot against these measures that this was a fair test, for the reason, he said, that a greater percentage of business men would vote for the measures than would be found among the farmers and laboring men. His view is well taken, yet among the latter classes sentiment is divided. There are those who believe in not putting off until tomorrow what you can do today and will support the bonding bills, while others intend to use the knife on most of the measures.

No matter what your views are, go to the polls tomorrow and cast your ballot—let there be a representative vote.

Polling places in this city are as follows:

- Precinct No. 1, 671 North Third street.
- Precinct No. 2, Guild Hall.
- Precinct No. 3, city hall.
- Precinct No. 4, house at the northeast corner of Fourth and Bridge streets.

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CENTENARY FUND NEARS THE GOAL

275 Churches Over Top in Drive. Will Spend 100 Tons of Gold to Carry Christianity to World

Portland, Ore., June 2.—A total of \$94,434,000 of the \$105,000,000 asked for in the Methodist centenary campaign has been subscribed, according to an announcement today by Dr. Charles A. Bowen, executive secretary of the centenary in the northwest.

The northwest total is \$2,040,137 on a quota of \$2,383,000. Two hundred and seventy five churches have gone over the top, equalling or exceeding their quotas.

Leaders in the campaign are hopeful that when all reports have been completed, the Methodist centenary will show a 100 per cent subscription.

"During the last 100 years, the Methodist Episcopal church has subscribed the equivalent of 100 tons of gold or 1640 tons of silver dollars," said Dr. Bowen.

"Our 100 tons of gold has carried the word of Christianity into 37 nations of the world. We propose to spend, in the next five years, more than we have spent in the past 100 years expending the equivalent of 160 tons of gold, or 3,000 tons of silver dollars.

"This would make a train nearly two-thirds of a mile long and heavier than the most powerful locomotive could draw."

AIR BOARD CONSIDERS G. P. MAN'S INVENTION

W. R. Whipple of this city has suggested to the war department, through Senator Chamberlain, an improvement in airplane construction which has merit enough to be considered by the engineering division of the air service, as is indicated by a letter to Senator Chamberlain from the war department, from which the following extract is taken: "Investigation of Mr. W. R. Whipple's invention leads to the discovery that the people charged with the construction of airplanes are at this very time very much interested in the use of the cellular form for airplanes struts, spars, etc. Mr. Whipple's suggestion for using spruce veneer in cellular form is particularly well timed and this section has referred his case along with about 10 others to the air service (engineering division) for their consideration in the present research under way.

"It is, of course, not for this organization to decide whether or not a particular invention will be adopted by the government, but only to determine whether or not it contains sufficient merit to warrant its being placed before that production bureau which, if the idea is adopted, will be charged with arranging for proper compensation to the owner."

KUBLI FAILS TO APPEAR AND FORFEITS HIS BOND

Herald Kubli, the Applegate rancher accused of stealing cattle and who was to have appeared here before Justice Holman at 10 o'clock today, failed to appear. He was out on \$500 cash bond.

This forenoon, just before the hour set for the trial, about 25 ranchers from the Applegate section were at the courthouse, presumably to appear as witnesses against Kubli. It was stated by a few of them that Mr. Kubli and family have been absent from their home on the Applegate since Sunday forenoon, and it is thought they have left the county in their automobile, as the car, also, was missing.

There is a warrant out in Jackson county, also, for Mr. Kubli and efforts are being made by officers to locate him.

AUSTRIANS GIVEN SAME TERMS AS THE GERMANS

Chancellor Peeved at Delay and Declares His Republic Free From Hapsburg Dynasty-- Austria Cut Down to 7,000,000 People--Hungary to Be Independent.

St. Germain, June 2.—Austria has been given the peace terms and 15 days in which to reply. The terms were presented without the problem of Italy's Adriatic claims unsolved.

Dr. Karl Renner, Austrian chancellor and head of the delegation, received the terms and made a speech in French. President Wilson was late at the meeting, a punctured tire having delayed his arrival.

Premier Clemenceau made the opening address, speaking three minutes. Dr. Renner opened with a complaint at the delay in presenting the terms. He declared that the Austrian republic was entirely free from the Hapsburg dynasty.

Paris, June 2.—A situation which may affect the peace settlement with Germany arises through a proclamation of an independent republic of the Rhine province, stretching along the frontier of Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg. It contains vast fields of iron and coal and great industrial centers. If the Rhineland province becomes independent, a buffer state will be set up between France, Germany and Belgium. The new state would control the Saar Basin.

GEORGE DUNCAN MEETS DEATH AT LOGGING CAMP

George Duncan was caught by a rolling log Saturday morning at the Sugar Pine Lumber company mill and instantly killed. The log, approximately 28 to 30 inches in diameter, was balanced in the center and Mr. Duncan was in the act of swinging it about with horses when the team started up too soon. He was knocked to the ground and one end of the log crushed his head.

The deceased leaves a wife and one son. He was about 50 years of age, having been born on the Applegate, where he has since resided. Being a member of the I. O. O. F., the Oddfellows had charge of the funeral services, which were held at Kerby, today at 2 p. m., and interment was made at that place.

FIGHT ON FOR "LUCKY BALDWIN" MILLIONS

Los Angeles, Cal., June 2.—The petition of Albert Snyder, of San Francisco, to have his mother, Mrs. Clara Baldwin Stocker, declared incompetent to handle the \$10,000,000 estate inherited from her father, "Lucky Baldwin," was denied in the superior court here today.

CHAUTAQUA FOR 1920 IS MADE CERTAIN

The big Chautauqua tent has been taken down and is now on its way to Mansfield, Wash., to be used for another week, and at the close of that engagement travel on to another point. The 1919 Chautauqua is considered a success in every way, the ladies who guaranteed the expense having made it financially successful. The same ladies with others have signed up for the season of 1920 and Chautauqua for next year is assured.

Bremen, East and West Prussia and other provinces are said to be contemplating similar action, which might mean the disintegration of Germany.

St. Germain, June 2.—The Austrian peace terms follow the same outline as those presented to Germany; in fact the terms in many places are identical. Austria is left a state of 6,000,000 or 7,000 people in a territory of 5,000 or 6,000 square miles; she is required to recognize the complete independence of Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Serbian-Croatian-Slovenian state and to cede other territories of the former Austrian-Hungarian empire of 50,000,000 people.

Austria agrees to accept the league of nations covenant and the labor charter, renounce all extra European rights, demobilize her whole naval and aerial force, and admit the allies' right to try her nationals guilty of violating customs of war.

Paris, June 2.—Norway has refused to join in the blockade of Germany, if the German delegates refuse to sign.

HUGO TRIMMED BY GRANTS PASS BOYS

A team of ball players came down from Hugo yesterday with the determination of showing the Grants Pass boys how to play the game. If the old time slugging match is the "real stuff" they succeeded in helping stage a fine exhibition. The pill was beaten to a pulp, the plum for heavy hitting going to Blevins of Grants Pass, who lost the ball in the dense and unexplored jungles back of right field, for a walk-around.

Although the husky farmers from Hugo hit hard and often, Manager Whipple's men knocked out five Hugo pitchers for 19 hits and a home run, while Patterson stayed all the way and allowed 14 hits. Errors on both sides were numerous. The final score was: Hugo 13; Grants Pass 14.

ENGLISH AND REDS IN NAVAL BATTLE

Helsingfors, June 1.—A 50-minute battle occurred this morning between the Bolshevik battleship Petropavlovsk and three other warships on one side and seven British warships on the other. The Russians eventually fled to Kronstadt.

SOUTHERN OREGON TO CAPITALIZE CLIMATE

President Bramwell at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon today made announcement of the Grants Pass aero landing being made ready and the government so notified.

The president called on Geo. Sabin who spoke of the proposed advertising campaign for southern Oregon, the idea is to capitalize the climate, scenery, fishing and hunting of Southern Oregon, and announced that such a campaign would be carried on.

CHIHUAHUA CITY REPORTED TAKEN

Generals Villa and Angeles Attack. Juarez Residents Sending Belongings to American Side

Juarez, June 2.—Trustworthy advices say that Generals Villa and Angeles attacked Chihuahua City yesterday. Fighting is still progressing.

El Paso, Tex., June 2.—Consul General Garcia, representing the Mexican government, left hurriedly for Mexico City today on orders from Carranza, following the report that Chihuahua City had fallen.

Juarez, June 2.—Many residents here are sending their belongings to families across the international bridge into American territory. It is reported that Yaqui Indians have joined the Villa troops.

JOHNSON OPENS UP ON LEAGUE

Washington, June 2.—Senator Johnson, republican, of California, today assailed the league of nations as a combination of armed powers "in a gigantic war trust." He told the senate that the Paris conference dare not amend the league covenants so that the declaration of future war shall be decided by a popular vote of peoples concerned, instead of by the established rulers.

WM. CROW, PIONEER OF 1838 CALLED TO REST

William M. Crow, born in Illinois April 7, 1838, died at his home in Merlin at the age of 81 years 1 month 24 days, Saturday evening, May 31st, 1915, after an illness of four and a half months. His early boyhood was spent in Illinois but in 1852 he came with his parents to Oregon, where the family settled in Lane county. Four years later he came into Josephine county, serving during the war with the Rogue River Indians. He made his first home on Taylor Creek and for the past 45 years has taken an active part in the development of the Rogue River country as well as being keenly interested in all public affairs of a wider nature, doing always what he considered the duty of a good citizen, in making life safe in the days of the early settlers, and in making it richer and better for those who follow.

His life was apparently controlled by the principle that each must be the servant of all and naturally his story is one of self-sacrificing toil for his family, his neighborhood, and his country in whose time of need he was proud to give the service of his two youngest sons.

Married February 28, 1867, to Nancy Jane Neeley, 11 children were born to them of whom nine, with their mother, survive him: Frank Crow, Brush Prairie, Wash.; Chas. Crow, Portland, Ore.; Lewis J. Crow, Wendling, Ore.; Clarence Crow, Sprague, Wash.; Mrs. Laura Carr, Mrs. Josephine Donohue, Andrew, Ross and Ord, all of Merlin. Besides his immediate family and a great company of relatives and friends, four sisters and two brothers also mourn his loss: Mrs. Loda Bandy, Bellingham, Wash.; Mrs. Sarah Gibson, Eugene, Ore.; Mrs. Melvina Hinton, Port Townsend, Wash., and Mrs. H. J. Keyte, James, A. J., and Thomas N. Crow, of Merlin.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. Melville T. Wire at the Pleasant Valley cemetery Sunday afternoon, June 1st, at 3 o'clock. A large number of people were in attendance.

COSTA RICA AFTER PUBLICITY

San Salvador, June 2.—The governments of Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua have recognized the belligerency of the anti-Tinoco revolution in Costa Rica. The revolutionists have been reinforced.

TELEGRAPHERS READY TO QUIT UPON SIGNAL

BURLESON WOULD REINSTATE OPERATORS AND DISCIPLINE TELEPHONE OFFICIALS

INCREASED RATES ARE UPHELD

Supreme Court Says Authority Was Given Government for Interfering With Interstate Rates

Washington, June 2.—President Konencamp of the Commercial Telegraphers' union stated today that no date has been set for the nationwide telegraphers strike. The threatened walkout at Atlanta is purely a local affair.

Postmaster General Burleson announced that if the telephone operators at Atlanta had been dismissed due to union affiliations they would be reinstated and responsible telephone officials disciplined.

Washington, June 2.—The supreme court today upheld the increased telephone and telegraph rates put into effect last January 21st, under order of Postmaster General Burleson. The court held that under the joint resolution by which the wire systems were taken over by the government, there was authority for interfering with interstate rates.

The supreme court also upheld railroad freight and passenger rate increases made by the railroad administration last June. They reversed the North Dakota supreme court decrees enjoining the Northern Pacific and Hines from enforcing the increased rate order.

REGISTRATION FOR SPECIAL ELECTION

County Clerk E. L. Coburn has furnished the Courier with a copy of the registration in Josephine county for the special election on June 3, 1915, which is as follows:

Precinct	Male	Female	Tl.
Grants Pass, No. 1.	81	97	178
Grants Pass, No. 2.	85	96	181
Grants Pass, No. 3.	70	46	116
Grants Pass, No. 4.	68	56	124
Grants Pass, No. 5.	66	48	114
Grants Pass, No. 6.	37	32	69
Grants Pass, No. 7.	76	67	143
Grants Pass, No. 8.	99	95	194
Althouse	94	42	136
Waldo	87	26	113
Kerby	74	31	105
Selma	64	38	102
Slate Creek	69	38	107
Murphy	79	82	161
Williams	69	24	93
Merlin	51	32	83
Galice	30	12	42
Lucky Queen	49	29	78
Leland	35	11	46
Wolf Creek	62	23	85
Placer	22	9	31
Fruitdale	54	24	78
Dimick	47	26	73
Granite Hill	52	18	70
Ferry	31	22	53

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Those who happen to be in a county other than where they are registered have the right to vote if they secure a certificate from the county clerk of the county wherein they are registered. Or, if any person living in Portland or any other place outside this county happens to be in Grants Pass on election day they can vote here by furnishing two freeholders to substantiate their statements to the election board.

While the registration shows only 2,515 voters in the county, it is estimated that there are at least 3,000 in Josephine, for the reason that many are not registered.